

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting  
P.O. Box 1167  
Syracuse, KS 67878  
Meeting Place - Commissioner Room  
Hamilton County Courthouse  
April 13, 2015  
8:30 a.m.

Keith A. Puckett, Chairman  
John Simon, Vice-Chairman  
Randall C. Braddock, Commissioner  
Michael W. Lewis, Commissioner  
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner  
Rob Gale, Attorney  
Angie Moser, County Clerk

Leslie Carlholm

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

AGENDA: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Agenda with the addition of Landfill Management Plan under Business as item F. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the April 7, 2015 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None.

Attorney Gale joined the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

CANVASS APRIL 7, 2015 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS: The Commissioners proceeded to canvass the ballots of the General Election held on April 7, 2015. Commissioner Braddock moved that the official results of the canvassing of the ballots of the April 7, 2015 General Election be approved. Commissioner Lewis seconded and the Motion was unanimously approved.

ED BAKER: Mr. Baker, Rural Fire Chief, requested a County wide burn ban. Commissioner Braddock moved to implement a burn ban to not to exceed 120 days as stated in Resolution No. 2011-9. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Also, Mr. Baker informed that Tarbet Construction asked to use the County water well during the airport project.

5-YEAR PLAN: The 5-year plan was reviewed. Commissioner Simon spoke with Kirkham & Michael regarding digging new cell pits at the Landfill. Jury room ceiling is almost complete. Commissioner Simon will have bids on the windows for the Museum and Health Department in the next couple weeks.

ROAD PROJECT LIST: The Road Project List was reviewed.

ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT: Commissioner Braddock reported the crew is graveling the East River Road out of Kendall road. Discussed concerns of the ground up chunks of pavement working back up through the caliche and crushed rock that the crew will put on Road B. Also, the crew will water pack Roads 32 and D and will also eventually elevate and gravel Road 22.

HIRE RURAL OPERATIONS DIRECTOR: Commissioner Simon moved for a 15-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners and the County Attorney present. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 9:35 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Lewis moved for an additional 15-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners and the County Attorney present. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 9:51 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 10:06 a.m. Discussed hiring a Road Foreman vs. a Director of Rural Operations. It was decided to review the job description to see if it needs to be updated.

ADDITION: After review, Commissioner Simon moved to approve Addition No. 140422. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

LANDFILL MANAGEMENT REPORT: Kerstin Mitchell, Rural Operations Secretary, informed we need to fill the vacancy on the Solid Waste Committee. Commissioner Braddock moved to appoint Mike Lewis to temporarily fill the vacancy on the Solid Waste Committee. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Ms. Mitchell also presented the Solid Waste Plan for approval. Commissioner Braddock moved to accept the Solid Waste Plan as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$27,080.48. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Schwerdfeger gave an update on a Lesser Prairie Chicken meeting she attended. Commissioner Schwerdfeger also discussed concerns of public utility companies asking for right-of-way permits on County Roads without getting the land owner's permission that own ground on each side of the Road, especially when the utility line will not be used as a public service, but used for a private business or individual. Leslie Carlholm, Community Development Director, informed the Community Development Board has discussed the possibility of bringing in an engineer or architecture firm to do a walk-through of the Syracuse Inn to see what it would take to renovate or see if it is feasible to do so. Any fees associated with the walk-through would be split evenly between the County and the City of Syracuse with the County's portion being approximately \$500.00 paid from the Economic Development budget.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Lewis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Braddock seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

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